

Amendment No. 2 to HB2199

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2117*

House Bill No. 2199

By deleting all of the language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. There is created a special joint committee to study, identify, and remove unnecessary barriers that hinder the ability of small businesses to compete in the marketplace.

SECTION 2. The special joint committee shall perform a comprehensive review of Tennessee's statutes, rules, and regulations governing business activity as part of its mission delineated in Section 1. The committee shall also review Tennessee's requirements for businesses to participate in public contracts.

SECTION 3. The committee shall consist of three (3) members of the house of representatives and three (3) members of the senate, to be appointed by the respective speakers. In making appointments to the committee, the speakers are hereby encouraged to appoint members who are small business owners or operators.

SECTION 4. All appropriate state agencies shall provide assistance to the special joint committee upon request of the chair.

SECTION 5. All legislative members of the special joint committee who are duly elected members of the general assembly shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its findings and recommendations to the general assembly.

SECTION 6. The special joint committee shall be convened by the member with the most years of continuous service in the general assembly, and at its first meeting shall elect a chair, vice-chair, and such other officers the committee deems necessary.

SECTION 7. The special joint committee shall timely report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the one hundred sixth general assembly no later than February 1, 2010, at which time the committee shall cease to exist.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.